

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 6,476,927
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 6,466,328
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,373,585
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 6,263,387
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 5,987,535
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 5,933,584
- (7) U.S. Patent No. 5,923,013
- (8) U.S. Patent No. 5,889,896
- (9) U.S. Patent No. 5,832,301
- (10) U.S. Patent No. 5,819,112
- (11) U.S. Patent No. 5,764,866

The Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. Applications:

	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Group Art Unit</u>	<u>Attorney Docket No.</u>
(12)	09/448,593	Matsuo, et al.	11/24/99	2181	03500.002497

A copy of document (9) is enclosed. Documents (1) to (8) and (10) to (12) were cited in parent Application No. 09/442,992 and might be deemed pertinent for the reasons given there. The Examiner is respectfully directed to the Patent and Trademark Office files for review of these documents. See MPEP § 609. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that the information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the attached form PTO-1449.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	6,476,927	11/05/02	Schwarz, Jr.	358	1.15		
	6,466,328	10/15/02	Bradley et al.	358	1.15		
	6,373,585	04/16/02	Mastie, et al.	358	1.15		
	6,263,387	07/17/01	Chrabaszcz	709	220		
	5,987,535	11/16/99	Knodt et al.	700	83		
	5,933,584	08/03/99	Maniwa	358	1.15		
	5,923,013	07/13/99	Suzuki et al.	235	375		
	5,889,896	03/30/99	Meshinsky et al.	382	305		
	5,832,301	11/03/98	Yamaguchi	395	868		
	5,819,112	10/06/98	Kusters	710	107		
	5,764,866	06/09/98	Maniwa	358	1.15		

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